

revenue for military purposes. Read 2nd time. Mr. Harcourt moved to postpone to a time certain. (Lost). Mr. Crawford of Jasper moved to lay on table. (Lost.) Mr. Erath moved to postpone consideration until 10 o'clock A. M. tomorrow. Mr. Finlay moved to lay on table. (Lost.) The substitute was then adopted, when Mr. Lea moved to fill blank with \$2,000,000. Mr. Finlay moved \$1,000,000,-000 [sic]. Mr. Guinn offered \$500,000. Mr. Hartley moved \$5,000,000. Put and lost. Mr. Lea's motion was put and lost. Mr. Mitchell proposed \$750,000; Mr. Lea \$1,000,000; Mr. Shepard \$1,800,000. Lost. Mr. Lea proposed \$1,500,000. Lost. Question on Mr. Lea's proposition of \$1,000,000 put and carried.

Mr. Beasley moved to amend by inserting after "specie" the words "Confederate Treasury notes." Mr. Lea proposed to amend Mr. Beasley's motion by adding "except \$300,000 in Confederate Treasury notes to be applied to other appropriations." Accepted. The question was then put and lost. It was then reconsidered. Mr. Hartley moved to reconsider the vote adopting the substitute. Laid on table. Mr. Finlay moved the previous question. Senate refused to sustain it. Mr. Burnett moved to strike out all of the amendment after "Treasury notes." Laid on table. Being moved and refused, the question arose on the adoption of the amendment, when a call of the Senate was made and sustained. The Senate not being full, the amendments of the House to a bill providing for the disbursement of certain funds therein named were concurred in.

Joint resolution on Confederate relations was referred to Committee on Confederate Relations.

The Senate then adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M. tomorrow.

Friday, January 10, 1862.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by the Chaplain, roll called, quorum present. The journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

The Judiciary Committee recommended the passage of a bill to incorporate the Texas Lead Mine Company.

Mr. Erath introduced a bill supplemental to an Act to provide for auditing and settling claims against the State on account of volunteers called out by the Governor and Committee of Safety, &c. Read 1st time. Rule suspended, read 2nd time and ordered to be engrossed. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

The Finance Committee recommended the passage of a bill to provide a hospital fund.

A bill authorizing S. W. Beasley to draw fees due to Marshall, Bonner, and McCain. Read 2nd time and passed to 3rd reading. Read 3rd time and passed.

A bill for relief of Gregorie Simon. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to Committee on Private Land Claims.

A bill to amend Article 721 of Code of Criminal Procedure. Amendment of House concurred in.

A bill to allow Margaret Needham to be taken into the lunatic asylum. Read 2nd time and ordered to 3rd reading. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

A bill to amend an Act prescribing the mode of fixing the liabilities of drawers and endorsers of bills of exchange and promissory notes. Read 2nd time and ordered to 3rd reading. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

A bill prohibiting owners or employers of slaves from placing them in charge of farms or stock ranches detached or remote from the house or residence of the owner or employer. Read and ordered to be engrossed. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

Mr. Cook offered joint resolution commendatory of the conduct of Colonel John R. Baylor. Read 1st, 2nd, and 3rd time on suspension of rule and passed.

A bill to repeal an Act authorizing and requiring all forced sales in the County of Nueces to be made at the La Retama House in Corpus Christi. Read 2nd time and ordered to 3rd reading. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

A message was received from the House informing the Senate that the following Senate bills had passed, viz.:

A bill to extend the provisions of an Act for the incorporation of towns and cities to the town of Sumpter in Trinity County.

A bill for relief of heirs of Charles Clark.

A bill for relief of Sampson & Henricks and S. M. Swenson.

A bill to incorporate the Aransas Salt Works Company.

A bill to authorize and require the Comptroller to audit and settle the accounts of quartermasters appointed for the several camps of instruction organized by order of the Governor and to authorize said quartermasters to pay over money in their hands.

A bill for relief of heirs of John White deceased.

A bill to prescribe what funds may be received for public dues.

And that the House had adopted report of Committee

of Conference on disagreement upon a bill authorizing unpaid warrants to bear interest and had passed Senate's bill making appropriation for mileage and *per diem* pay of members and officers of 9th Legislature.

Also, House bill to amend 16th section of an Act to provide for assessment and collection of taxes, approved February 11, 1850.

Mr. Burnett's amendment offered to the bill appropriating money derived from the State revenue for military purposes was adopted.

Mr. Beasley's amendment was then adopted.

Mr. Guinn offered the following: "provided that should the fund set apart in this Act not be needed for the purposes indicated, the board may, after retaining a sufficient amount to pay off all the liabilities contracted by them, turn over the remainder to the general fund to be disbursed as provided by law." Adopted.

Mr. Lea offered the following: "section 3—in addition to the foregoing provisions said board is hereby authorized to provide for the military defence of the State by means of any bonds and coupons which may be in the Treasury on any account and may so use such funds or their proceeds and therefore may sell, hypothecate, or barter such bonds and coupons provided such disposal shall not exceed the amount of \$1,000,000 of such bonds and coupons, and that they shall not be disposed of at any discount greater than 20 per cent of their face amounts."

Mr. Crawford of Jasper moved to strike out all relative to disposing of the bonds at a discount. Laid on table. The amendment was then adopted. Bill passed to 3rd reading. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

Mr. Lea, Chairman of Finance Committee, upon the communication of the Governor to the committee referred, reported the following resolution which was adopted, viz.: "**Resolved**, That the Senate duly appreciates the confidential information received from His Excellency the Governor and that his communication be respectfully returned as not necessary to be retained and more appropriate for his future possession."

The Committee on Internal Improvements recommended that the Senate concur in House amendments to a bill for relief of railroad companies. Report adopted, Mr. Weatherford having been excused from voting.

Senate then adjourned until 3½ o'clock P. M.

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Senate met, roll called, quorum present.

Mr. Weatherford introduced a bill making an appropriation for pay of *per diem* and mileage of members and officers of 9th Legislature. Rule suspended, read 1st, 2nd, and 3rd times and passed.

A message from the House by their clerk informing the Senate that the House had passed the following bills in that body:

A bill to provide for taking testimony by deposition, &c., &c.

A bill authorizing Horace Cone to draw the mileage and *per diem* of the late John C. Walker.

House amendments to Senate's bill for relief of companies for internal improvements were concurred in.

Mr. Guinn offered a resolution authorizing the Enrolling Clerk to employ such additional assistance as may be necessary. Adopted.

Mr. Hartley introduced a bill to enable the Confederate States to intervene in all suits now pending in the courts of this State in behalf of an alien enemy. Read and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Lea introduced a bill to repeal a certain Act herein specified. Read 1st, 2nd, and 3rd times on suspension of the rule and passed.

The vote passing the bill amending an Act to ascertain and adjudicate the legal claims for land between the Nueces and Rio Grande Rivers was reconsidered, whereupon the Senate refused to adopt the amendment of Mr. Lea.

The Committee of Conference on the revenue bill reported sundry amendments and propositions to said bill which being duly considered were adopted.

A bill to provide for a digest of the laws of Texas. Read 2nd time. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

The Committee of Conference on the bill for relief of W. L. Chalmers reported and recommended that the Senate recede from its substitute for House bill, which report was adopted.

The Committee on Confederate Relations recommended the passage of the joint resolutions on that subject which were made special order for 7½ o'clock.

Mr. Beasley offered a resolution giving the Engrossing Clerk additional assistance. Adopted.

A bill to repeal an Act providing for funding the debt incurred for the protection of frontier. Read 2nd time. Amended. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills reported the following bills correctly enrolled, properly signed, and presented to the Governor:

A bill to create the County of Kendall.

A bill to change the boundaries of Blanco and Kerr Counties.

And a joint resolution to authorize and require the Adjutant General to collect the necessary information to make a register of State troops, &c.

Senate adjourned until 7½ o'clock P. M.

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Senate met, roll called, quorum present.

A bill providing for taking testimony by deposition, &c. Read 2nd time. Amended. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

A bill to fix the salaries of the officers and clerks therein named was taken up. Read 2nd time. Mr. Hartley offered amendment increasing their salaries from the several amounts fixed in the bill, which was adopted.

Mr. Crawford of Jasper offered a substitute which was laid on table. After various propositions to amend, calls of the Senate, &c., &c., the bill was read 3rd time and passed.

A message from House announced the passage of the following bills:

Bill to repeal a certain Act therein named.

Bill to provide funds for military purposes. Read 1st time. Rule suspended, read 2nd time; rule further suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

A bill to incorporate the Texas Lead Mine Company. Read 2nd time. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed by constitutional majority.

The passage of the following bills were reported from the House:

A bill to legalize the acts of Alexander Birdsong, notary public of Panola County.

A bill for relief of Jarman Carter.

A bill for relief of F. A. Sherman.

A bill prohibiting owners or employers of slaves from placing them in charge of stock ranches, &c., &c.

Joint resolution commendatory of conduct of Lieutenant Colonel John R. Baylor.

Mr. Graham introduced a bill to authorize the chief clerk in Treasurer's office to sign the Treasurer's name in certain cases. Read 1st time; rule suspended, read 2nd time; rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills reported the following correctly enrolled and properly signed and presented to the Governor:

A bill supplementary to an Act creating a hospital fund.

A joint resolution commendatory to the conduct of Lieutenant Colonel John R. Baylor.

A bill prohibiting owners or employers of slaves from placing them in charge of stock ranches, &c., &c.

A bill to repeal an Act providing for funding the debt contracted for the protection of frontier.

A bill for relief of heirs of George W. Wilson.

A bill for relief of preemption settlers.

A bill suspending the collection of money on bail bonds, forfeited recognizances, &c., was indefinitely postponed on the recommendation of the Judiciary Committee.

The Committee on Military Affairs reported favorably on the payment of Captain Milton Webb's company.

The Finance Committee reported upon two bills relative to procuring arms and ammunition, and to amend an Act authorizing a loan, &c., whereupon the bills were severally read 3rd time and passed.

A message from the House announced the passage of the following bills:

A bill to define and punish sedition.

A bill to require the Comptroller to rent certain public buildings.

A bill to provide for printing the laws and journals, &c.

The Judiciary Committee reported a substitute for a bill to authorize the Confederate States to become a party to any suit instead of parties who are alien enemies. Adopted. Several amendments thereto having been made, the bill was read 3rd time and passed.

A bill for relief of heirs of James H. Denson. Read 2nd time and ordered to be engrossed. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

A bill for relief of George W. White.¹⁷ Read 2nd time and ordered to be engrossed. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

A bill requiring the Governor to recover the State arms. Read 2nd time. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

¹⁷ This is possibly an erroneous entry. The person named might be either George W. Wilson, George W. Morris, or John White. No other reference to George W. White is found anywhere in the journal.

A bill for relief of John P. Gill. Read 2nd time and passed to 3rd reading.

The Senate then adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M. tomorrow.

Saturday, January 11, 1862.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by the Chaplain, roll called, quorum present. Journal of yesterday read and adopted.

The Senate refused to concur in amendment of House to bill to regulate the public printing. Messrs. Harcourt, Scarborough, and Crawford of Jasper were appointed as a Committee of Conference.

The vote passing the bill to provide for military purposes was reconsidered when Mr. Lea offered the following amendment, which was adopted: "Any bonds which may be disposed of under the provisions of this Act shall be substituted by equal amounts of the bonds of the Confederate States of America that may be obtained by this State, and the bonds so substituted respectively shall be in all respects in place of the funds disposed of as aforesaid."

The Judiciary Committee returned sundry bills and memorials not acted upon. The House refused to agree to Senate's substitute for bill appropriating money derived from State revenue for military purposes; adopts report of Committee of Conference on revenue bill; passed Senate bill amendatory of Act to regulate the public printing.

Messrs. Lea, Shelley, and Parsons were appointed Committee of Conference on first named bill.

The Committee on Internal Improvements reported adversely to a bill to amend an Act to incorporate the East Texas Railroad Company and recommended the passage of a bill amendatory of an Act to incorporate the Trinity Valley Railroad Company.

The Committee on Enrolled Bills reported the following correctly enrolled, properly signed, and presented to the Governor:

A bill for relief of heirs of John White.

A bill to extend the provisions of an Act providing for the incorporation of towns and cities to the town of Sumpter in Trinity County.

A bill for relief of heirs of Charles Clark.

A bill for relief of certain railroad companies.